

**ABSTRACT**

The present invention relates to an antisense oligonucleotides for metabotropic glutamate receptor type 1 (mGluR<sub>1</sub>). There is provided oligonucleotides that hybridize to a mRNA encoding mGluR<sub>1</sub> or a splice variant thereof. There is also provided a method for treating a patient having a disorder related to an elevated glutamate level, such as chronic pain, or to enhance an opioid effect or to reduce opioid dependence and/or tolerance, which comprises the administration of such oligonucleotide. Specific pain treatment is thereby obtained.